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DEATH.

On October 9th, at 5 p.m., at the Government Civil Hospital WILHELMINA, the beloved wife of CHARLES SCHULLENBACH, of Quarry Bay, aged 75. Funeral will pass the Monument to-day at 5 p.m.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 10A, DES VOUX ROAD. LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, OCTOBER 10TH, 1907.

WITH such a fine, outspread, land-locked harbour as Hongkong has got, it was inevitable that yachting would figure prominently, if not pre-eminently, among the sports of the Colony. It has done so. There are two yacht clubs, and about thirty yachts of various types. Just at present the inwards of the stronger club are rumbling with excitement over a rather pretty dispute. The stronger club happens to be the younger club, partly by reason of the very conditions which have given rise to the trouble. The premier club, the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, is dying of the disease of Drives. The newer club, the Corinthian Yacht Club, is thriving on the crumbs of LAZARUS. More explicitly, luxury has proved the bane of the R. H. K. Y. C. It began with a fleet of yachts that cost no more than about \$250 each, and bit by bit, the type was altered and amended and improved until now, with perhaps some rise in the cost of labour and material, a member has to spend two thousand dollars before he can have a boat entitled to compete with those flying the R. Y. C. burgee. There are not many men who can afford that much for such a luxury, so the membership has dwindled, and the

fleet has almost disappeared. The Corinthians began with the excellent and approved idea that there are plenty of keen sportsmen available provided that a reasonable check be put on the outlay. They therefore adopted a pattern for a One-Design class of boats, all of which were to be alike as far as possible in measurement, material, and cost. This idea, properly carried out, puts yacht racing on a laudable footing. Competition is not between long purses and short ones, but between brains. The keenest and most observant sailorman, theoretically, and allowing for the element of luck—acts

of God, so to say—stands the best chance of winning. True sailorcraft consists in getting the best from the material in hand and from the conditions existing; but keen yachtsmen have got into the way of thinking they should be boat builders, designers, and riggers as well. To a certain extent this is a good thing. A man who thinks out possible improvements to the shape of his sail, the size of his combing, the material of his keel, and so on, is a clever and a useful man, likely to advance the sport and to succeed himself. But, and on this point we have no doubts, he is out of place in a One-Design Club, unless he be sportsman enough to present his ideas to the rest of the boat-owners at the proper time for considering amendments of the standard, for general adoption and use. If he thinks of some new "dodge" or alteration and endeavours to steal a march on the others, in a One-Design class, he is going clear against the principle of the combination, and he appears more of a pot-hunter than a sportsman. In the case of the C.Y.C., it unfortunately appears that the standard was somewhat vaguely defined as to some important details, and worse still, the earlier committeemen were reprehensibly slack in ignoring sundry innovations involving departure from the principle. Suddenly awaking to the danger, as the evil grew, and they were threatened with such things as dearer materials, hollow masts and spars, and so on, the existing committee suddenly (this week) put their foot down, and forbade, until such time as a majority of the boatowners shall decide otherwise, the introduction of any more novelties. They did quite right, but by not doing it sooner, their action involves a certain amount of hardship on the innovators. One man was lucky enough to pick up a hollow mast dirt cheap at second hand, and put it into his craft without consulting the committee. His argument was that as the One-Design specifications apply only to the hull, he was not obliged to consult anybody, and he could not be persuaded that he was not being harshly treated in having to replace it with the solid and heavier mast used by the rest. He rashly accused the majority of envy and of unsportsmanlike behaviour in depriving him of the advantage of his luck and forethought. It would have been more sportsmanlike to have bowed to the majority, and given them credit for honest intention. The curse of Suburbia, and indeed of all society, would surely penetrate even a One-Design Yacht Club, if he were allowed to persist. Every man wants to be as good as his neighbour. If No. 10 has a brass doorplate, the lady at No. 12 is unhappy till she gets one too; and one boat fitted with hollow mast and spars would set the others all striving for similar luxuries, which cost, by the way, when purchased new, more than the total cost of the present type of boat complete. The conclusion of the matter is not hidden; it would involve the conclusion of the Club. The C.Y.C., at present strong and flourishing, and breeding good sailors, would before long become as moribund as its forerunner, the R. H. K. Y. C. Those who want to experiment, and are prepared to demonstrate their superior knowledge at extra cost, can always enter for the handicap class, where there is absolutely no limit to originality and invention. But those who want a big fleet of One-Design boats, encouraging more men to take up the sport, and to keep alive the cunning that made Britannia the ruler of the waves, should work loyally together, observing the spirit rather than the letter of the rules that are meant to put competing helmsmen on a fair level at starting. As it is, there is much room for improvement. Fully half the men who sport yachting caps know nothing of knotting and splicing; many of them go aboard and depend upon the China-boy to make all shipshape for the cruise, and leave him to do the same when lying-up. The object of such Clubs should be, not to encourage yachtsmen of the Lirron type, but to make sailors and handy men; not to provide trophies and excitement for pot-hunters and gamblers, but to inculcate a love of the sea and a thorough acquaintance with the wonders and glories that mean so much in the lives

of them that go down to the sea in ships. After all, if two boats be caught in a squall off Cape D'Aguilar, it is not the skipper with the best filled purse who shows up better, but the man who has been trained to cope with an emergency requiring quickness of eye and brain and hand, which, to be sure, may be acquired as well in a four-hundred-dollar boat as in a yacht costing ten times as much.

We are informed by Mr. Northcote that the Interport Rifle shooting match has been postponed to Saturday.

The 2nd Battalion Cameron Highlanders in South Africa has been ordered to hold itself in readiness to embark for China, to be stationed at Tientsin.

A wealthy landed proprietor named Glizinski, of Bützow, Mecklenburg-Schwerin, who has committed suicide, stated in a letter found by his side, that he took his life because the worries of the administration of his money weighed too heavily upon his mind.

Negotiations are being carried on between two large Hamburg shipbuilding yards with a view to amalgamation. They are the Vulcan Works, of Bremen, and the Weser Shipbuilding Company, of the same city, each possessing a capital of £500,000. The negotiations are likely to be crowned with success.

We have to thank a correspondent for pointing out a very obvious *lapsus calami* in the leader advocating the dredging of the Causeway Bay typhoon shelter. The suggestion of a toll at say "half a cent a catty" was intended, as we think most people would understand, for half a cent a pail.

There was heavy betting on the race between the "Lusitania" and the "Lucania." A curious wager was made by two Americans. One fancied the "Lucania," the other the "Lusitania." One man is tall and slim, the other is short and fat. The loser of the wager had to wear a suit from his opponent's wardrobe.

The Japanese commissioners, who are said to have a very large sum of money at their disposal for the purchase of horses, were present at the Dublin Show last month. They bought the thoroughbred stallion Blairmore, second prize winner in his class, the first and second prize yearling colts, and the brood mares Keardagh and Repose.

Consul-General Wilder has received information that Mr. Tait, who is accompanied by a party of fourteen, will arrive here on Saturday morning. On the following morning the distinguished visitors will leave by the transport "McClure" for Manila. The invitations to dinner at Government House will therefore hold good for Saturday instead of Friday night.

Among the passengers leaving by the *ss. Roon* to-day for England is Mr. H. H. Huxthorpe, solicitor, who for the past ten years has been engaged with the firm of Messrs. Dampy and Bowley. It is probable that after a holiday at home Mr. Huxthorpe will return to Shanghai to carry on the practice of his profession. During his stay in Hongkong he has made many friends who will regret his departure from their midst.

The Philadelphia Telephone Company has issued a circular to its operators and its subscribers asking them to omit the word "please" in all messages over the telephone. The company has calculated that the unnecessary word is used over the telephone in Philadelphia some \$60,000 times every day. Reckoning each repetition to take up half a second of valuable time, 125 hours daily are wasted by people who say "please."

During the stay of the German Emperor and Empress in England in November as the guests of the King and Queen, it is understood that their Majesties will pay a visit to the City of London. In anticipation of such an engagement, the Corporation of London are holding themselves ready to invite the Emperor and Empress to a reception and *déjeuner* in the Guildhall as they did on the occasion of their last State visit to London in 1891. At that time Alderman Sir Joseph Savory was Lord Mayor and Sir William Farmer and the late Sir Augustus Harris were the Sheriffs. The German Emperor's memorable speech on that occasion is preserved in the records of the City. It is noticeable that most Royal visits to the City of recent years have occurred in November, and that it has fallen to the duty of the new Lord Mayor, immediately upon entering office, to act as host at those interesting and important ceremonies.

It is interesting to read in an Australian magazine just to hand what M. A. Noble, the best all-round cricketer in Australia, thinks about the coming test matches. The team the Australians wanted to see was to be chosen from: F. S. Jackson, C. B. Fry, Hirst, A. C. MacLaren, A. L. Hutchings, R. H. Spooner, Hayward, Tyldesley, Blythe, W. Brearley, Lilley, H. Martyn, Arnold, N. A. Knox, or Fielder. With such a side to face, Australia would, he thinks, have to dig up some new players from the country. But the country districts, he complains, do not take interest enough in cricket even to provide turf wickets! The batting strength of Australia, he thinks, is all right, but they want another Ferris for left-handed bowling on bad wickets, and a second edition of Trumble for slow right-arm bowling to beguile English bats into unwisdom. He insists that no bowler who is not a good field should be included; while he has no respect for the bowler who cannot bat at least well enough to keep up his wicket while the man at the other end makes the runs.

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTERS'S SERVICE.]

GENERAL SIR HARRY MACLEAN.

LONDON, October 7th.

The *Morning Post* correspondent in Tangier says that Raisuli has reduced his terms for General Sir Harry Maclean's release to, British protection for himself and family, and a ransom of £30,000. The British Government is prepared to grant its protection and to advance the ransom on the guarantee of the Sultan to refund the amount.

STRIKE OF COTTON HANDLERS IN AMERICA.

LONDON, October 7th.

8,000 members of the Cotton Handlers Union in New Orleans have struck, stopping all shipments of cotton.

JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES.

LONDON, October 7th.

The correspondent of the *Morning Post* in Washington has good authority for stating that the principal reason of Mr. Taft's visit to Japan is to inform the latter that unless the emigration of coolies to America is checked, an Exclusion Bill will be introduced in Congress during the coming season.

NEW CHAPLAIN FOR HONGKONG.

Our London correspondent learns that the Rev. A. Dallas Ennis, chaplain to H. M. forces, Chelsea Barracks, has been appointed chaplain to the forces in Hongkong. He will take up his new duties early next year. Mr. Ennis is a most charming man and beloved by every soldier who knows him. He is very broad-minded, fond of every kind of sport, and is a firm believer in the high moralising influence of the theatre.

A FALSE ALARM.

Yesterday a lark was responsible for some excitement on the water front. He gave the alarm that a fire had broken out on the "Catherine Apoc" and the Harbour Office Authorities at once apprised the men in charge of the fire. At some other the fire could not get away very sharply, as a matter of fact about twenty minutes was spent in raising the anchor, and when she reached the vessel there was no apparent fire for her services. Those on board the "Catherine Apoc" were surprised at the visit of the float and when the captain was asked if he had a fire on board he replied that he had, but that it was in the galley. The float then returned to her anchorage.

A HOLIDAY OPPORTUNITY.

Residents in the Colony as well as Tourists will be interested to learn that an excellent opportunity can now be availed of by steamer of the Indo-China S.N. Co's Calcutta Line for the round trip from Hongkong to Japan and back.

Leaving Hongkong every three weeks the steamers proceed to Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji, thence returning to Hongkong direct. Time allows for passengers to leave the vessels at Yokohama and proceed by rail to Kyoto, Osaka, &c., rejoining the ship at either Kobe or Moji, as most convenient. A stay of about 2 to 3 days is made at the various ports of call. The steamers, viz.:—"Kutsang," "Namsang," and "Fookang," the largest of the Company's fleet, are most comfortable, are fitted throughout with electric light, fans, &c., and carry a duly qualified surgeon. The round trip from Hongkong occupies about 24 days, and the new service is one which will doubtless be availed of by those who are fortunate enough to get away from the Colony for a few weeks. This opportunity will also appeal strongly to tourists arriving in Hongkong with little time to spare but with a desire to see Shanghai and Japan.

ARRIVAL OF LORD LI.

ENTERTAINED AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

Lord Li, the new Chinese Ambassador to Great Britain, arrived here by the German mail late last evening. The Customs launch *Kowloon* conveyed him from the steamer to Blake Pier, where a guard of honour from the Middlesex Regiment was drawn up. Here he was met by a number of leading Chinese and Government officials, and entering a vice royal chair, was conveyed to Government House, where he was entertained at dinner by H.E. the Governor and Lady Lugard. Among the guests introduced to his Lordship, and who dined at Government House, were—H.E. Wu Ting-fang, Chinese Minister to Washington, Hon. Mr. F. H. May, Mr. Justice Wise, Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewitt, Mr. F. A. Hazeland, Captain and Mrs. Lyons, Mr. and Mrs. Brewin, Mr. Moreno, Mr. and Mrs. Pereira, Dr. and Mrs. Jordan, Dr. and Mrs. Sanders, Dr. Ho Kai, Hon. Mr. Wu Yi, General Broadwood, Capt. Bonham, Commodore Stokes, Mr. Blanchflower, Mr. W. R. M. de Parr, Mr. Fung Wa-chuen, Mr. Lau Che-pak, Mr. Ho Chak-seng, Mr. Swart, Mr. and Mrs. Volpicelli, Major and Mrs. Chiffy, Major and Mrs. Stephenson, Major Parker, Dr. and Mrs. Tait, Lieut. Comm. Bamber, Lieut. Comm. Darwell, Captain de Horsey, Lieut. Comm. Stevenson, Mr. and Mrs. Pearce, Mr. and Mrs. Moxon, and Mr. Leung Pui-kai.

THE TRIAL OF ADSETTS.

The trial of Adsetts on the capital charge was continued before Mr. C. D. Melbourn at the Police Court yesterday afternoon, when Mr. G. E. Merrell presented on behalf of the Crown Solicitor, and Mr. R. Harding appeared for the accused.

Mr. Frank Brown, government analyst, said that on 19th August P. S. O'Sullivan gave him the three bottles produced. He examined them and found they all contained harmless liquids. On August 14th he received from the same officer a piece of mattress ticking, a quantity of mattress hair, and a table cover, all of which he examined and found blood thereon. He could not say whether it was ordinary blood or not. On August 15th he received from Dr. Macfarlane, four sealed bottles of post mortem material, which he examined for poison and found none therein.

Lolita Levitt was recalled.

Mr. Merrell—I propose to ask her one question.

Mr. Harding—I am entitled to know what question my friend intends to put.

Mr. Merrell—I intend to ask witness if she can tell how deceased was clothed when she visited her house.

Mr. Harding—I object. I cannot admit that question after the evidence of Miss Josie Marshall yesterday.

Mr. Merrell—I cannot see what my friend's objection is.

Mr. Harding—My objection is that it was stated in court yesterday by Miss Marshall—

Mr. Merrell—It does not matter what was stated in court yesterday.

Mr. Harding—Miss Marshall stated—

Mr. Merrell—She did not—

Mr. Harding—Miss Marshall stated in court yesterday what the deceased was wearing—

Mr. Merrell—She did not. She stated that a certain skirt belonged to Miss Dayton. She did not state she was wearing it.

Mr. Harding—I object.

His Worship—Has this witness been in court before?

Mr. Merrell—Yes. (To witness—On the early morning of the 4th August when she left your house, do you remember how she was dressed?)

Witness—She had a blue skirt, a shirt blouse, and a small black and white checked jacket.

Would you recognise the skirt again?—I don't know.

Does the small refer to the jacket or the check?—The check was small.

(Skirt produced.)—That looks like the skirt. It is a little paler.

In daylight would a skirt not look paler than at night?

Mr. Harding—I object.

Witness—Some shades are paler in daylight and darker at night.

Would you say it would look paler in daylight or night?—I am not a judge of that.

Is this checked jacket like the one Miss Dayton wore?—Very much like it.

Cross-examined—Have you read the statement made by Miss Marshall yesterday referring to the colours of the skirt which she said belonged to Miss Dayton? Did you read the report of the case yesterday?—Yes.

Re-examined—When did you read the report?—In last night's paper.

When were you aware you would be called?—About a quarter to one this afternoon.

Did you read the report again?—No.

Josie Marshall recalled, said that she lived with deceased in the Hotel Francoise at Manila. Prior to that she had lived with her for two years and nine months. When she identified the belongings of Miss Dayton yesterday she noticed two rings were missing, one was a solitaire ring set with two diamonds.

Fra-ces Gomes, passenger clerk in the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, stated that on 5th August a white man came to the office and booked a first class passage to Shanghai on the "Tosa Maru." He gave the name of Mr. Jackson.

Do you see him now?—I see him at the bar.

I suppose you mean in the dock?—Yes.

Witness added that Mr. Jackson paid \$50 for his passage. Witness saw him on board the day the vessel sailed. On the 30th September he saw the accused again when he picked him out from a number of others in Victoria Gaol.

Mr. P. T. J. Vodehouse, Deputy Superintendent of Police, gave details of the identification in Victoria Gaol. Defendant was placed with ten other men. Miss Marshall picked him out when he was sitting number three from the left. Other witnesses failed to identify him, several picked out the wrong man, one or two said defendant "looked like the man," but a number had no difficulty in identifying him with the exception of the first two witnesses. Defendant chose his position himself. On the 30th September witness held another identification in the gaol. Witness Kent picked out the wrong man, but witness Gomes identified the defendant when the men were in the same order. On the 1st October he held another identification in the gaol. The witnesses were brought in one by one.

Did the defendant make any remarks during the identification?—After the witness Lai Lok had identified the defendant and had been taken away, the defendant objected to the identification as being unfair. He objected because he said the hotel boys could identify his clothes and hat. In consequence of that remark I made them take off their hats.

Cross-examined—You have told us that the defendant notably looked taller than the others?—Yes.

How much would he be taller than the next tallest?—About two inches, I think.

I suppose the same difference would be apparent when they sat down?—I don't think so.

Why?—I think men tend to look more of the same height when seated.

Where were these witnesses located prior to the identification?—The Chinese witnesses were in the Court Yard and the American ladies were in the Detective's Office.

I suppose all the men were clean shaven?—Yes.

Did they look as if they had been shaved that morning?—Well, recently.

The defendant was not?—I did not notice it. He was not shaved in gaol?—He did not appear more unshaven than the others.

On the 30th of August defendant would look dirtier than the other men?—Yes.

With regard to the objection made by defendant that the hotel boys would identify him because they would have seen his clothes and hat hanging up, was that a voluntary statement or in reply to a question from you?—I think it was a voluntary statement.

Detective-Sergeant O'Sullivan, said that on 8th August in consequence of information received he went to the Hongkong Hotel and examined the register. He found the names "Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jones, Room 184" and asked if they were in. A clerk called a porter to find out whether they were in their room and word came back that they had not been seen for three or four days. Witness asked for the messenger, and when Mr. Davies came, he asked him to accompany witness to Room 184. They entered the room. Mr. Davies remarked that two bath towels belonging to the room were missing. Witness made a hurried examination of the room and looked it, taking the key away.

Next morning he made a careful examination of the room with Chief Detective Inspector Hanson and found the dark tweed coat produced hanging on a rack at the right of the bed. On the rack was a black soft hat, a crape shirt, and a vest. The bed was in order. Blood was found on the mattress on the under side. Folded up in a sofa he found a pair of pants of the same material as the jacket and some clothing which had apparently come from the laundry. Some of the handkerchiefs were marked with the name "Gortrade." He also found in the room the cash box, some empty jewel cases, the luggage produced, and a black felt hat with the name "A. H. Jacques and Co." inside.

He brought the prisoner back from Manila, landing here on 23rd September. Prisoner was handed over to him by the authorities at Manila.

Cross-examined—The part of the mattress ticking produced was taken from nearer one end than the other, nearer the head than the foot. He questioned both room boys on the night of August 8th as to whether they had removed anything from the room, and they told him they had not. He took the key of the room away with him. He did not ask Mr. Davies if there was another key.

Chief Detective Inspector Hanson said that on 8th August he went to the Hongkong Hotel and proceeded to Room 184 and with the last witness examined the mattress. The bloodstains were on the under side of the mattress. There were bloodstains on the table cover. On 24th September at 10 a.m. he read over the charge in his office to the defendant, whom he cautioned. The defendant made the following statement "I wish to plead not guilty." I took it down in writing and the accused signed it.

Mr. Merrell—That is the case for the prosecution. I submit I have made out a *prima facie* case and that the accused must take his trial at the next sessions.

Mr. Harding—I don't propose to address your Worship at any length at all. I simply reserve my defence.

In reply to the usual question asking him if he had anything to say in answer to the charge, accused replied in the negative.

His Worship—Mr. Harding, I must ask your client if he wishes to make any statement or to call any witnesses.

Accused said he did not.

His Worship—You are committed to take your trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

Adsetts seemed relieved to have reached the final of the first part of a long trial.

FIFTY YEARS AGO.

[Extracts from the Hongkong Daily Press of Oct. 10th, 1857.]

We are happy to be enabled to announce that H. E. Sir John Bowring has received from Calcutta a fine handsome Carriage. It was a source of anxiety to us, lest Baron de Gros should be lugged up the hill on that shocking concern that Lord Elgin was bundled in on his landing.

So great was the damage to the Portuguese Lorches, and Chinese cargo boats in Macao on the morning of the 1st inst, that Merchants in the Holy City find it difficult to make the most ordinary shipments. The extraordinary sum of \$75 was paid the other day for the hire of a small Chinese boat to carry a few bundles of empty gunny bags to a ship in the offing under despatch.

We observe from the Maulmein papers that the Sardinian frigate *Berardo*, Count de Vercy, Capt., was loading Timber for Genoa. There were no less than five ships loading Timber at Maulmein for Bombay, which is surely a new feature in the Trade of the East Indies. Stranger still, there was not one vessel loading for China.

The Passing of Night by J. FOVARGUE BRADLEY, (London: John Long) is a novel that will appeal to a somewhat limited circle. It is a politico-religious dissertation with a suspension of a few story-interesting threads throughout, and only those keenly interested in church disestablishment, episcopalian doctrines, and non-conformity are likely to find much pleasure in the production.

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FRICHING, Chinese str., 980, T. C. Glicksp, 5th October—Shanghai 2nd Oct., General—Chinese.

FOOCHOW, British str., 1,227, J. Davies, 8th Oct.—Wuhu 3rd Oct., Rice—Butterfield & Swire.

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INDRAPURA, British str., 3,152, Kelway, 25th Sept.—New York 2nd August, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

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KAGA MARU, Jap. str., 6,301, G. S. Lapraque, 6th Oct.—Seattle Wash. U.S.A. 3rd Sept. and Shanghai 3rd Oct., General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

KASATO MARU, Japanese str., 3,823, D. Mori, 2nd October—Iquique and Chile 10th Aug. General—Toyo Kisen Kaisha.

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MISSIONARIES AND DEVILS IN KOREA.

SOME REMARKABLE FACTS.

Curious facts observable in the psychology of missionaries point to the belief that "the formal garment of religion in the East and West must diverge as radically as the psychology of the East and West differ from each other." Facts which seem to support this view are pointed out by David Kelley Lambuth, of Vanderbilt University, in regard to the Korean missionary, who, it is claimed, seems insensibly to adopt, to a certain extent, the native point of view regarding the belief in personal devils. The writer quotes a missionary as saying:—"The woman was insane—or, as the Koreans with more accuracy say, 'possessed of a devil.'" This speech, Mr. Lambuth thinks, tells "the entire story of the interaction of religious conceptions and modes of thought." Shamanism, the name for the most powerful of the native Korean religions. The insidious effect of this wide-spread belief upon the mind of the missionary is indicated in the following, quoted from the Independent:—"From the hour of his birth until the spirit leaves his body," says one missionary, "the Korean is surrounded and tormented by innumerable evil spirits; while another declares that the only real religion of Korea is the worship of every sort of evil spirit." "So full are they of superstition," comments a third, "that it takes much time and effort for them to understand the simplest truths." In such an atmosphere what more natural than that the missionaries, who live in closest intimacy with the people, and isolated from the daily contact with Western forms of thought, should imperceptibly be wrought upon not only by the persistent fear and belief of the un-Christian people, but also by the exaggerated tendency toward demonology inbred through ages into those who are now converts to Christianity, the cannot out of hand brush off a lifelong habit of mind? An examination of the facts shows that the missionaries in Korea display a sense of the presence of evil spirits markedly in excess of that manifested in other countries where demonology has no such popular hold. The spirit-saturated air has with insidious power waked in the missionaries all the dormant demonology with which the Christian religion was at one time furnished forth.

To exhibit in concrete form the facts about which the writer weaves his interesting speculation, he gives some citations from the letters and reports of American missionaries. "Since the condition of life and work on the Christian frontier in the Far East," comments the editor of the Independent, "are similar to those of the early days of Christianity, this article throws some light upon New-Testament narratives. In China the same effect of the environment upon the missionary has been observed." The citations, with Mr. Lambuth's comments, are as follows:—

"A peculiar sense of the presence of an evil spirit is evidenced thus:—

"In a country where the evil spirit is so dominant as in Korea, it comes to a vital sensation of his presence."

"Certainly I am more conscious of the real presence of the devil in Korea than in America. Many of the missionaries have been actually conscious of his palpable presence in the very room with them."

"The consciousness of a real personal devil is as vivid as the sense of God's presence, though infinitely removed in kind. In Korea you feel him in the atmosphere."

"More important testimony is offered in the evidence of belief in possession by devils, a belief that has fastened with a peculiar and tenacious grip upon the people of Korea, so that one writer calls the country 'the haunted house among the nations, afflicted with the delirium tremens of paganism.' 'The Christians, too,' says one missionary, 'hold to the possession by evil spirits.' 'Demoniac possession in that country,' says another, 'becomes a thing too evident to doubt.' 'Thousands of people,' says a third, 'are slaves to evil spirits, in bondage to his Satanic Majesty (sic) while another describes a woman possessed of many devils, and still another tells of 'miracles performed, the crazy made of sound mind, the devil-possessed, set free.'"

"At the service was a young man demoniacally possessed, made dumb by his indwelling spirit for three years. After long prayer and a command to the spirit to depart, it left him and he began to read aloud."

"Another was a man with every symptom of demoniac possession, in whom, upon catching sight of the preacher, the demons began to rave. Again, prayer brought a marked change over the demoniac. He slept that night, the first for many days, in a vision saw that God had 'driven the evil spirits out of his heart and home.'"

"No more complete avowal of belief in demoniac possession than the following could be required:—

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"Another writes pertinently:—

"If you had lived in the midst of the native quarter with me and heard at midnight the cries of terror of those appealing to the evil spirits for help, being tortured by them, veritable possession by devils would then seem no impossible thing to you."

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The third machine, the sphygmograph, is fixed to the wrist to observe the pulse beats. It takes another record of the emotions of the heart.

A scientist who has seen the machines calls them "Care-Liers," because they can record all mental reservations and prevarications.

The professor has asked permission to try his invention on Harry Orchard, the informer in the Boise murder trial. The professor wishes to fix his machines on Orchard, and then get him to re-tell his tale.

COMMERCIAL CLAIMS AGAINST CHINESE.

In a Consular report on the trade of Tientsin for 1906, Mr. Consul-General Hopkins observes that there is no part of Consular work that causes so much labour, breeds so much local friction, and has results so disappointing to the British merchant and so irritating to the Consular authorities, as the effort to recover debts claimed to be due by Chinese subjects to British merchants. The usual treaty port procedure for many years has been to present a written statement of the claim to the Chinese authorities, and request them to recover the amount, and then to press the recovery by written communications and by interviews. But the delays experienced are often very great, even when the facts involved are simple and not matters of serious dispute. Thus, in one recent case, a claim by a British firm against a Chinese bank, which was not disputed by the Chinese authorities except for a short time on the point of which of two native firms should be considered the true defendant, had not been settled or made any real progress after fifteen months. Only when I appealed to the Viceroy did I succeed in bringing this quite simple case to a successful termination. Other—too many other—cases of similar protracted correspondence could be cited in this Consular report, and I know that my Consular colleagues suffer in the same way. Increasingly impressed by these instances of passive resistance to official pressure, I have had recourse during the year under review, and since, to a system of preliminary investigation of claims in some detail before sending them forward to the native courts. The Chinese defendant is requested to attend at the Consulate, with documents, if necessary, and in this way the case often assumes a different aspect, the true issues tend to appear, and the presentation of the claim to the Chinese has to be modified accordingly. Chinese authorities are then asked to fix a date for the hearing, when the British plaintiff may attend to give evidence, and a member of the Consulate staff be present on the bench to watch (but not otherwise to take part in) the proceedings. In this way improved results have already lately manifested themselves. But the method is open to serious objection, in that it throws on this Consulate an unduly amount of work which ought to fall on the investigating tribunals. The true remedy for this chronic embarrassment appears without doubt to lie in the institution of a special court for the trial of mixed civil suits where the plaintiff is a foreigner. A court which should be—not a mixed court of the Shanghai type, which it is not desirable to multiply, but a tribunal for the hearing of mixed cases—and especially mixed civil cases. Such a court should be presided over by a specially selected well-reputed, capable Chinese official, administering Chinese law according to principles and procedure which he understands, embodied in some not too elaborate set of rules for the conduct of his court.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE SOUDAN.

NUMEROUS IMPENDING RETIREMENT OF THE SIRDAR.

A Correspondent of a home paper says:—I have it on very good authority that a change is contemplated in the administration of the Sudan. According to the Anglo-Egyptian Condominium of January 19, 1899, the supreme power, subject only to the control of the British Agent in Cairo, was vested in the Sirdar, who also took the title of Governor-General of the Sudan. But in the last eight years so much progress has been made and the limits of the Sudan have extended to such an extent that the work involved by those two posts is far too much for one man to accomplish.

Consequently it has been decided to separate the posts and create a civil Governor-General, and leave the Sirdar to deal with the military side of the administration. This innovation will take effect when Sir Reginald Wingate retires, which, I understand, will be before very long. Rumour has it that if Wingate Pasha retires Slatin Pasha will also leave. Such an event is highly probable, as these two have been the closest friends for years, and have worked together ever since 1898. Both Wingate Pasha and Slatin Pasha will be great losses to the Sudan, more especially the latter, as no one has such an intimate knowledge of, and such influence over, the many tribes of the Sudan.

According to "L'Egypte," the new Governor-General will be Lord Edward Cecil, at present joint Under-Secretary of State for Finance, and for some time Sudan Agent in Cairo; and the new Sirdar will be Colonel Fergusson Pasha, who was Adjutant-General of the Egyptian Army from 1901 to 1903. The former nomination is a very possible one.

There is also some talk in the clubs of the near retirement of Mr. P. W. Macchell, Adviser to the Ministry of the Interior, and of his receiving an appointment in India—most probably a Governorship. It will be remembered that Mr. Macchell married Countess Valda Gleichen, King Edward's cousin, two years ago. Mr. Macchell is to be succeeded by Lord Hunter Pasha, at present Director-General of the Coastguards Administration, which was the post Mr. Macchell held before he went to the Interior.

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